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1. IN NEGOTIATION OF SUPPLY SECTION IN ENERGY

COMMISSION

COMMISSION PORTION OF CIEC COMMUNIQUE, G-19 INSISTS ON REFERENCE TO LAW OF THE SEA. U.S., AS G-8
CO-CHAIRMAN, HAS INFORMALLY PROPOSED FOLLOWING LANGUAGE DRAWN JANUARY 12, 1977, MEMO TO EB/ORF/FSE FROM L/OES STEVEN J. BURTON, CLEARED BY L/OES B. H. OXMAN, D/LOS G. TAFT, AND OES/SPA AMBASSADOR BREWSTER. QUOTE: THAT NECESSARY MEASURES BE ADOPTED BY
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, WITHIN THE GENERAL FRAMEWORK OF THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE, TO ENSUR

FRAMEWORK OF THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE, TO ENSURE THE EQUITABLE SHARING BY STATES IN THE BENEFITS DERIVED FROM ENERGY AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE SEABED AND OCEAN FLOOR, AND THE SUBSOIL THEREOF, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BEYOND THE LIMITS OF NATURAL JURISDICTION, AS THE COMMON HERITAGE OF MANKIND IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 2749 (XXV) OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH DECLARES, INTER ALIA, THAT THE INTERESTS AND NEEDS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO PARTICULAR CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE THE ONLY VARIATION FROM THE JANUARY 12 MEMO IS THE LAST

CLAUSE BEGINNING "WHICH DECLARES, INTER ALIA..." AND THEN CITES LANGUAGE FROM RESOLUTION 2749.

2. WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY THE UK DELEGATION TO CIEC THAT BRITISH OFFICIALS HAVE AGREED WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICERS RESPONSIBLE FOR LOS THAT ABOVE LANGUAGE IS UNACCEPTABLE AND SHOULD BE REPLACED BY FOLLOWING LANGUAGE:

QUOTE: THAT THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE SHOULD CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH (IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF THE COMMON HERITAGE OF MANKIND) AN INTERNATIONAL REGIME FOR THE EXPLORATION FOR AND EXPLOITATION OF THE MINERAL RESOURCES OF THE DEEP SEABED AREA BEYOND THE LIMITS OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION, INCLUDING ENERGY RESOURCES (TAKING INTO PARTICULAR CONSIDERATION THE INTERESTS AND NEEDS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES). UNQUOTE

3. REQUEST URGENT GUIDANCE ON ACCEPTABLE LANGUAGE FOR CIEC COMMUNIQUE BY COB MAY 12. G-19 HAD TENTATIVELY ACCEPTED EARLIER LANGUAGE, AND WE MUST MOVE QUICKLY IF WE ARE NOW GOING TO TRY TO NEGOTIATE ALTERNATIVE TEXT. KATZ

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